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Title of Application:

"SYSTEM, METHOD, AND SERVICE FOR FEDERATING AND OPTIONALLY MIGRATING A LOCAL FILE SYSTEM INTO A DISTRIBUTED FILE SYSTEM WHILE PRESERVING LOCAL ACCESS TO EXISTING DATA"

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| 42 | Page(s) | Specification, claims, abstract |
| 9 | Page(s) | Informal Drawings (FIGS. 1-8) |
| 2_ | Page(s) | Declaration and Power of Attorney |
| 2 | Page(s) | Recordation of Assignment and Assignment |
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| 1 | Page(s) | Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) |

This application is a: __ Continuation __ Divisional _ Continuation-in-Part of prior application of: _____

Fee Calculation

| | Claims Filed | | Extra | Rate | Fees |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|----------|----------|
| Basic Fee | | | | | \$770.00 |
| Total Claims | 40 | -20 = | 20 | \$18.00 | \$360.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | -3= | 0 | \$86.00 | \$0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim | | | - | \$280.00 | \$0.00 |
| Assignment (Separate Authorization in Recordation form) | | | | \$40.00 | \$0.00 |
| | | | | TOTAL | \$1,130 |

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